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MINNESOTA BULLETIN NO. 250-8-7

SUBJECT: ECS – EMERGING ISSUES ON FAMILY FORESTLAND

ACTION DUE BY: MARCH 5, 2008

Purpose. To provide information about this upcoming workshop

Expiration Date. September 30, 2008

The Minnesota Soil and Water Conservation District Forestry Association is organizing the workshop “Emerging Issues on Family Forestland.” This two half-day meeting is scheduled for Wednesday-Thursday March 26-27, 2008, in Breezy Point, Minnesota. Topics include the status of family forests in Minnesota, easement programs, woody biomass opportunities, the State Forest Protection Plan, emerald ash borer, invasive species and non-natives, fire history in Minnesota, FireWise, recognizing animal damage and an exceptional evening program on Minnesota’s forest history. An agenda and registration form is attached to this bulletin. The registration fee is \$160 for both lodging, meals; \$100 without lodging. Registration will be paid from the State Office.

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) encourages attendance and participation by employees at career-related professional conferences that enhance career development and professionalism. Employees desiring to attend this training on official time and expense must get their supervisor’s approval. An approved MN-PER-025 is required for expenses paid by NRCS. Time spent traveling outside of work hours to this event is not considered hours of work for overtime, compensatory time, or accrual of credit leave. District Conservationists should provide a list of approved employees to Ginger Kopp, State Staff Forester, ginger.kopp@mn.usda.gov by **March 5, 2008.**

For more information about this training contact Ginger Kopp at (651) 602-7909.

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